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Title: METHOD OF MANUFACTURING PIPING HAVING JOINING PORTION

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AMENDMENT AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 29, 2004, Paper No./Mail Date 10252004, please amend and reconsider the above referenced patent application as follows.

Applicant hereby petitions under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for a one month extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action and includes a fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) with this response for such extension of time.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.